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" As shown earlier, the defensive quarantine is in accordance with Chapter VIII of the Charter concerning regional arrangements. Just as the collective action for peace and security which the Security Council may take under Chapter VII does not contravene Article 2, paragraph 4, so also measures taken by a regional arrangement in conformity with Chapter VIII do not contravene this Charter provision.

" A threat of force in contravention of the Charter does not arise from the defensive quarantine, but clearly did arise from the Soviet introduction of long-range offensive missiles into Cuba.

" Finally, it is to be observed that the measures taken in pursuance of the recommendation of the Organ of Consultation under the Rio Treaty do not constitute a blockade. There is no state of war or state of belligerency. The defensive quarantine of Cuba is a carefully limited measure, proportionate to the threat and designed solely to prevent any further build-up of offensive nuclear missile bases in Cuba."

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